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ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES GJ-259J U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE **7 JUNE 2002** 3 JUNE 2003 PCT/GB03/02416 TITLE OF INVENTION APPARATUS FOR WARMING A TYRE ON A WHEEL TO A TEMPERATURE REQUIRED FOR VEHICLE RACING APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Hepworth et al. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. \boxtimes This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). 4. ◩ 5. Ø A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2)) a. 🖾 is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. 🗆 has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). is attached hereto. b. □ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. \boxtimes Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. Ъ. □ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. C. d. ⊠ have not been made and will not be made. 8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. \boxtimes An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 10. An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). 11. \boxtimes A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210). Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included: 13. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. \boxtimes 14. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 15. \boxtimes A FIRST preliminary amendment. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 16. 17. A substitute specification. 18. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 19. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. 20. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 21. A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 22. \boxtimes Express Mail Label No. EL982225268US 23. Other items or information:

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SUBJECT: AP

APPARATUS FOR WARMING A TYRE ON A WHEEL TO A TEMPERATURE REQURIED FOR VEHICLE RACING GJ-259J

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a patent application for entering U.S. National Stage of processing under 35 USC § 371, including formal papers.

Applicant:

Hepworth et al.

International Application No:

PCT/GB03/02416

International Filing Date:

3 June 2003

Title:

APPARATUS FOR WARMING A TYRE ON A WHEEL TO A TEMPERATURE REQURIED

FOR VEHICLE RACING

Applicant is a small entity.

Applicant hereby claims priority under 35 USC 119, 120, 363, 365, and 37 CFR 1.55, based on PCT Application No. PCT/GB03/02416 filed on 3 June 2003 which is based from and claims priority to United Kingdom Patent Application Nos. 0213133.2 filed on 7 June 2002 and 0222839.3 filed on 2 October 2002.

The following documents are enclosed:

- 1. Form PTO-1390 (Transmittal Letter);
- 2. The Published PCT application;
- 3. The International Search Report;
- 4. The International Preliminary Examination Report;
- 5. A Preliminary Amendment;
- 6. Information Disclosure Citation; and
- 7. Combined Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney

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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, applicant encloses an Information Disclosure Statement citing the six (6) references listed on the International Search Report. Copies of the references are not enclosed as the references are present in the national stage file.

A check in the amount of \$460.00 for the filing fee is enclosed. The filing fee is for entering the U.S. National Stage of a PCT application where the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was neither ISA nor IPEA, and the International Search Report was prepared by the EPO.

If any payment during prosecution is found to be incorrect, please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to my Deposit Account 09-0002. A copy of this letter is enclosed for use by the Finance Branch in the event that it is necessary to make any charge or credit to my deposit account.

If for any reason this APPLICATION is found to be incomplete, or if at any time it appears that a telephone conference with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned or his associates, collect in Waltham, Massachusetts, (781) 890-5678.

In addition, pursuant to Rule 1.136(a)(3), the office is hereby authorized to treat any future reply requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request therefore. Also, any request or Petition for an Extension of time notwithstanding an inadvertent reference in the Petition to a shorter period of time is to be treated as requesting the appropriate length of time.

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